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SUBJ: BLS TRAINING COURSES

REF: THIBAUT-LEADER LTR, DEC. 7

1. BUREAU LABOR STATISTICS NOW OFFERING THREE COURSES
ANNUALLY:

A. SPECIAL FOUR-MONTH TRAINING PROGRAM IN LABOR
STATISTICS COVERING MANPOWER AND EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION,
FAMILY INCOME DISTRIBUTION, AND EXPENDITURE, PRICE INDICES.
THIS IS INTRODUCTORY COURSE TELESOPING BLS' FORMER NINE
MONTH COURSE. TIME: JAN 7 TO APRIL 26. COST: APPROX.
\$3,000-3,500 INCLUDING TUITION, EXCLUDING INTERNATIONAL
TRAVEL. PARTICIPANT COULD BE ONE WEEK LATE.

B. "TECHNIQUES OF APPLIED STATISTICAL ANALYSIS" TIME:
MAY 13 - JULY 5. PARTICIPANTS SHOULD HAVE EQUIVALENT
OF AT LEAST ONE OR TWO COURSES IN BASIC STATISTICS.
COST: APPROX. \$2,000-2,500 EXCLUDING INTERNATIONAL
TRAVEL.

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C. "LABOR STATISTICS PROGRAM MANAGEMENT" TIME: FALL

1974. DESIGNED FOR MANAGERIAL LEVEL PERSONNEL. COST:
APPROXIMATELY \$2,000-2,500.
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2. ACCORDING INFORMATION AVAILABLE BLS CEYLONENSE
PARTICIPANTS LIKELY TO BE ONE JUNIOR STATISTICIAN (FOR
STATISTICIAN (FOR WHICH MORE SPECIALIZED COURSES DESCRIBED
PARAS 1B AND 1C MORE APPROPRIATE.) OPENINGS EXIST FOR
ALL COURSES. WE ARE EXPLORING QUESTION SUPPLEMENTAL
FUNDING BUT THERE APPEARS LITTLE PROSPECT. WOULD UNDP
OR ILO BE ABLE TO HELP? OTHER ALTERNATIVE IS PARTIAL
IVP GRANT BUT WE RECOGNIZE POST FUNDS FOR THIS ARE
LIMITED.

3. PLEASE REASSURE LABOR COMMISSIONER AND PARTICIPANT
CANDIDATES WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO HELP THEM GET
SETTLED INCLUDING MODEST ACCOMMODATION. BLS WOULD
WELCOME CEYLONENSE PARTICIPANTS. KISSINGER

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